

HOUSE BILL 4092

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AN ACT to authorize a physician to perform a medical procedure to end a pregnancy, and to authorize a woman to undergo a medical procedure to end a pregnancy, in cases of rape or incest or when necessary to save the life of the woman.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1.

(a) It shall be lawful for a physician to perform a medical procedure to end a pregnancy under the following circumstances:

- (1) When the procedure is necessary to save the life of the woman;
- (2) When the woman is pregnant as the result of a rape; or
- (3) When the woman is pregnant as the result of incest.

(b) It shall be lawful for a woman to undergo a medical procedure to end a pregnancy in the circumstances described in subdivisions (a)(1)-(3).

(c) This section shall not be construed to authorize a partial birth abortion that is prohibited under § 39-15-209. If the woman is a minor, then title 37, chapter 10, part 3, requiring parental notification shall apply.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008, the public welfare requiring it.